

**RUSHVILLE CITY BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY  
TUESDAY, APRIL 3, 2012  
5:30 P.M.**

The Rushville City Board of Public Works and Safety met in regular session on the above date and time at 270 West 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Pavey called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. with Gary Cameron, Darrin McGowan, and Marvin Hedrick answering roll call. Board Member, Angie Barton was not present. Also present were City Attorney, Julie Newhouse, Mike Selke, WIFE Radio, and Melissa Conrad, *Rushville Republican*.

**MINUTES**

Minutes of the March 20, 2012 meeting were presented for approval. McGowan made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Hedrick seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Pavey presented an article entitled Partners for Progress for the Board to review.

**CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT**

None.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS**

**Fire** – Chief Jenkins passed out a list of unsafe buildings and asked the Board if they would like him to proceed with demolition plans. Pavey said that an unsafe building ordinance was adopted in 1992 and the City needs to consider repealing this ordinance and adopting the current one to bring us up to date. Newhouse said that anything over \$10,000.00 must be bid out. Cameron made a motion for the Fire Chief to proceed with a title search on all the properties and notification to the owner of record concerning the City's determination that the structure is unsafe and demolition is necessary. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Police** – Chief Tucker presented his monthly/quarterly report.

Tucker said the hiring process is continuing. They are currently working through the background check process.

Tucker began working on placing the slats for the new fencing. He stated that this is going to be a time consuming job and will be scheduling a work day.

Currently the officers are being trained on the AED's and they should be in service in all the vehicles by next Wednesday.

**CITIZEN CONCERNS**

None.

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**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Social Media Policy** – Sample policies are being reviewed.

**321 West 7<sup>th</sup> Street** – Pavey stated that Newhouse attended a hearing today regarding this property. We will work through details required by the Court.

**Nine Star Easement Request** – Mike McCarley, a representative from NineStar Connect, stated that they have been given the opportunity to expand their network South of Flatrock River and are in need of a 3 foot easement from the City. This would begin behind City Hall and extend to the River Point Complex. He said they would need a 3 foot easement, ingress and egress, and spare innerduct. The easement would be on the edge of the property. Pavey asked McCarley to provide the City with the proper paperwork for the easement and it would be presented at the next Board of Works meeting.

**Secondary Employment Policy** – Newhouse is currently working on a policy for the City to consider adopting.

**16<sup>th</sup> Street Extension** – We have signed off on the paper work.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Community Service Program** – Judge Hill has approached the City to see if we would be interested in participating in a community service program. Hedrick made a motion to participate in this program. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Employee Assistance Program** – Pavey passed out a flyer for an employee assistance program that gives assistance for specific needs through Standard, which is our long term disability carrier. There is no cost to the City or employees for this service. Cameron made a motion to adopt this program. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Porter Sign Contract** – McGowan made a motion to give a favorable recommendation to the City Council for the billboard contract with Porter. The contract is for a period of 5 years for 2 contracts at \$10,000.00 each, for a total payment of \$20,000.00, which will be paid up front. The signs are located south of the bridge. Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Ambulance Study** – Jenkins said he has been working on a study for a City ambulance. He has provided a presentation to the Mayor, which has also been reviewed by a couple of Board of Works members, Council members and professional citizens for their feedback. The next phase would be to prepare a business plan; after this has been completed it will be presented to the Board of Works and Council for their review. Jenkins is anticipating having a final plan to the Mayor by the end of April.

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There was no further business to come before the Board of Works; Hedrick made a motion to adjourn. Cameron seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:13 p.m.

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MICHAEL P. PAVEY, MAYOR

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GARY M. CAMERON, MEMBER

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DARRIN L. MCGOWAN, MEMBER

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ANGELA L. BARTON, MEMBER

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MARVIN L. HEDRICK, MEMBER

ATTEST:

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ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER